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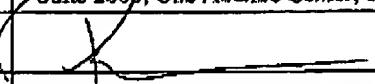
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			- 20		
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,610	138 1,610	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,280	241 840	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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143 460	243 230	Design issue fee	
144 620	244 310	Plant issue fee	
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146 740	248 370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(e))	
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PETITION FOR ENTRY OF AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is a petition for entry of amendment mailed April 27, 2001 that was denied entry in an **Advisory Action mailed September 23, 2002 (note this was almost one and one-half years after filing of the amendment)**. This petition is therefore timely filed.

The Examiner's Answer in this case, mailed February 27, 2001, stated on page 19,

Claims 6 and 15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In an amendment mailed April 27, 2001, with a Reply to the Examiner's Answer, appellants amended claims 6 and 15 to independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 1, 6, 10 and 15 on appeal are shown as follows:

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1. A transgenic rodent whose genome comprises a stably integrated DNA sequence encoding a syndecan operably linked to a promoter, wherein expression of the DNA sequence results in the rodent developing maturity onset obesity.
6. The rodent of claim 1 having the genotype FVB/N-TgN(synd-1).
10. A method for screening for compounds which can alter body weight comprising: administering a compound to a transgenic rodent whose genome comprises a stably integrated DNA sequence encoding a syndecan operably linked to a promoter, wherein expression of the DNA sequences results in the rodent developing maturity onset obesity, and observing whether there is a change in body weight over a period of time.
15. The method of claim 14 wherein the rodent has the genotype FVB/N-TgN(synd-1).

The amendment mailed April 27, 2001, amended claims 6 and 15 as follows:

6. A transgenic rodent whose genome comprises a stably integrated DNA sequence encoding a syndecan operably linked to a promoter, wherein expression of the DNA sequence results in the rodent developing maturity onset obesity having the genotype FVB/N-TgN(synd-1).
15. A method for screening for compounds which can alter body weight comprising: administering a compound to a transgenic rodent whose genome comprises a stably integrated DNA sequence encoding a syndecan operably linked to a promoter, wherein expression of the DNA sequences results in the rodent developing maturity onset obesity, and observing whether there is a change in body weight over a period of time, wherein the rodent has the genotype FVB/N-TgN(synd-1).

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It is immediately apparent that appellants have done no more than what was stated in the Examiner's Answer. For the examiner to assert that this raises new issues is inappropriate. If so, then prosecution of the application should be reopened.

It is believed no fee should be due with this petition since it appears that it is required solely by virtue of an error by the examiner. Should a fee be required, however, the Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge the appropriate fee to our deposit order account No. 50-1868.

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